



PROCLAMATION

Proclaiming "Lightning Larry LaCoursiere" Day In the City of Hastings, Minnesota

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere is a Hastings native, who with his wife Deb, raised three children in Hastings, Minnesota **AND**;

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere learned the sport of boxing beginning at the age of eight years old in his father's gym in Hastings **AND**;

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere became a professional boxer in 1990 and was one of the top ranked welterweights in Minnesota history with a professional record of 26-9-1, including competing in the ring with such notable boxers as Hector Camacho Jr., Julio Cesar Chavez, Winky Wright, and Tony Lopez **AND**;

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere defeated another Minnesota Boxing Hall of Famer Mike Evgen for the State Welterweight Title, and fought Julio Cesar Chavez on the same Fight Card of the infamous 1997 boxing match between Evander Holyfield and Mike Tyson **AND**;

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere was known to hit his punches so fast, he was known to the boxing world as "Lightning Larry LaCoursiere", competing in places like Australia, Denmark, France, South Africa, and Hawaii **AND**;

WHEREAS, Larry LaCoursiere fought in 150 amateur boxing matches in addition to his 25 years of professional boxing, exhibiting a high level of accomplishment and sportsmanship, and thus was inducted into the Minnesota Boxing Hall of Fame on October 14, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hastings City Council hereby proclaims Monday, October 17, 2016 as "Lightning" Larry LaCoursiere Day in the City of Hastings, Minnesota.

Paul J. Hicks
Mayor

Julie Flaten
City Clerk